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## TO ALL INTERESTED ELIGIBLE PARTIES:

The Maryland Department of Health, Office of Pharmacy Services (the Program), seeks interested pharmacies to apply for grant awards from the new Small Rural Pharmacy Grants Program to be distributed at the start of the grant period of **Tuesday, September 1, 2020**, through **Wednesday, June 30, 2021**. Small rural pharmacies, as defined within the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) "Zip Code to Carrier Locality" File of rural zip code mapping, currently serving Maryland Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) participants and meeting other eligibility criteria listed below in this *Request for Applications (RFA)* are eligible to apply. All of the information on the grants program is now posted and publicly available on our website. This is a non-competitive grant opportunity.

The RFA announcement is attached. The RFA outlines the requirements for the application process and deliverables during the grant period. Please submit an application in accordance with the RFA Application Guidelines (see below and in Attachments 1 & 2). Applications must be electronically submitted via email to and received by the Program by 5:00 PM on Friday, July 31, 2020. Applications should be submitted via email to Deanna Beebe at deanna.beebe@maryland.gov or (410) 767-5701.)

A webinar for interested applicants has been scheduled to support pharmacies in the application process on **Thursday**, **July 9th**, **2020 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM**. Interested individuals can register for the webinar event at the Program's <u>website</u>. During this webinar, the Program will provide an overview of the grant program and application process. The webinar and its contents will be recorded and posted to the Program's <u>website</u> and distributed by email to any participants who request it the following day.

Interested applicants are encouraged to address questions to **Deanna Beebe** at deanna.beebe@maryland.gov or **(410) 767-5701**.

Thank you for your interest and commitment to providing the highest quality healthcare for Marylanders.

Sincerely,

## **Athos Alexandrou**

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